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80TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

# S. 888

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 14 (legislative day, February 19), 1947

Mr. Thomas of Utah (for himself and Mr. HIL) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

# A BILL

To promote the common defense by unifying the departments and agencies of the Government relating to the common defense.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 That this Act may be cited as the "Common Defense Act
- 4 of 1947".

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#### DECLARATION OF POLICY

- 6 SEC. 2. In enacting this legislation, it is the intent of
- 7 Congress to provide a comprehensive and continuous pro-
- 8 gram for our future safety and for the peace and security of
- 9 the world; to coordinate under civilian control the depart-Approved For Release 2002/10/10: CIA-RDP90-00610R000100240012-8

1	the	Department,	council,	board,	or	agency	which	such
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- 2 person is advising or in which such Department, council,
- 3 board, or agency is directly interested.

## 4 PERMANENT PERSONNEL

- 5 SEC. 302. The executive secretaries of the Council of
- 6 Common Defense and the National Security Resources
- 7 Board and the Director of the Central Intelligence
- 8 Agency are each authorized to appoint and fix the
- 9 compensation of such personnel as may be necessary
- 10 to perform their respective duties and as may be appro-
- 11 priated for from time to time by the Congress. Such
- 12 appointments shall be made and such compensation shall be
- 13 fixed in accordance with the provisions of the civil-service
- 14 laws and the Classification Act of 1923, as amended.

#### 15 RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 16 SEC. 303. The Council of Common Defense, the Cen-
- 17 tral Intelligence Agency, and the National Security Re-
- 18 sources Board are each authorized to make such rules and
- 19 regulations as may be necessary to enable them to carry out
- 20 the duties imposed upon them by this Act.